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ELECTRODE

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RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action of September 30, 2003, applicants are submitting the following remarks and a Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131.

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Remarks

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has made the following rejections:

Section 3: Claims 1-4, 7, 8, 10, 12, and 13 under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by O. Renault et al., "A low reflectivity multilayer cathode for organic light-emitting diodes," *Thin Solid Films*, Vol. 379, pp. 195-198 (December 8, 2000) (referred herein as "Renault");

Section 5: Claims 5, 6, 14, and 15 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Renault; and

Section 6: Claim 9 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Renault in view of Bulovic et al., US Patent 5,834,893.

Applicants believe it is unnecessary to comment on the Examiner's reasons for the rejections based on Renault and Bulovic in view of the attached Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131 which establishes invention of the subject matter of the rejected claims prior to the effective date of Renault.

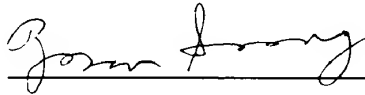
Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claim 11 contains allowable subject matter and that claim 16 is allowed. In the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance of claim 16, the Examiner recites "(a) a transparent cathode." Applicants note however that feature (a) is recited in claim 16 as "a cathode that is substantially transparent to light." Applicants believe that the Examiner's recitation of "a transparent cathode" is merely a shorthand way of expressing "a cathode that is substantially transparent to light" and that there is no intent by the Examiner to deviate from the express language of the claim.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to allow to issue all of the pending claims since the Declaration removes Renault as a reference.

No additional fee is believed to be required; however, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

In view of the foregoing, the present application is in condition for allowance. In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he is hereby requested to call the undersigned attorney at (585) 423-4292, Rochester, NY.

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